

ADMIRAL DENIES NAVY OPERATORS ARE INCOMPETENT

Chief Engineer Cone De-
fends Wireless Men Scored
By Harold Bride.

Rear Admiral Hutch I. Cone, chief of the Engineering Bureau of the navy, having charge of all wireless operation and installation, characterized as ridiculous and absurd the statement of Harold Bride, wireless man of the Titanic, to the effect that the wireless men on the scout cruiser Chester were wretched operators and did not understand the Continental Morse code. Admiral Cone said the navy's wireless men used nothing but the Continental code, the same code used by the Marconi men, and that they were considered the best operators to be found.

"I could, if I wished, but I do not want to make the same allegations against the Marconi men. You will find both sides making boastful criticism of the other in any controversy between operators. There are several competent operators on the Chester, men who have proven their worth by extensive speed and distance radio work experiments conducted by the Chester and the Salem. I have just looked up the efficiency records of the men on the Chester, and they are of the best."

It is significant, that on the request of representatives of the Marconi system the Secretary of the Navy ordered all Government stations to close down, so as to give no interruption to the Carpathia in the hope that some news would be received from that ship. But none came. The Carpathia, it may have been working ceaselessly, but no one seems to have picked up the messages, and this, too, with every station on the coast straining to get as much as a flash.

"Wireless men in the navy receive appointment only after it is proven that they are operators of established competency. After appointment they are given special schooling, and do not receive an assignment until they are found to be clever and competent in all navy requirements, including expert knowledge of the apparatus with which they work."

To Preach Sermon
On Titanic Wreck

In accordance with many Washington pastors, the Rev. J. W. Frizzell, pastor of the Ingram Memorial Church, will take for the theme of his Sunday morning sermon the tragedy of the wreck of the Titanic.

Secretary A. A. Adeo
To Sail Wednesday

Assistant Secretary of State Alva A. Adeo, who had planned to sail to Europe for his annual vacation bicycle tour of the by-ways of eastern France, on board the Titanic on her return trip to Europe, has changed his plans to sail on the Mauretania, leaving New York next Wednesday night. He will be accompanied aboard by Edwin V. Morgan recently promoted from the post of minister to Lisbon to be Ambassador to Brazil.

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Due to Carelessness, Survivor Declares

NEW YORK, April 19.—C. H. Sten-
gle, one of the first passengers off
the vessel, said that the collision
of the Titanic with the iceberg was
the result of "criminal carelessness."
"The ship was going 22 knots an
hour when she struck," he exclaimed.
Stengle said that the impact was
so terrific that great blocks of ice
were thrown on the deck and a num-
ber of people were killed when these
blocks slid across the decks. The
stern of the boat rose in the air.
People ran shrieking from below.
Women and children immediately
rushed to the lifeboats. As fast as
possible they were lowered away to
the sea.

Sailors took the women and hurried
them bodily into the boats, tearing
them away from their husbands to
whom they were clinging.

Stengle did not confirm the report that
men were shot down because they tried
to push women and children away from
the boats. He said he was so far aft
that he could not tell.

One of the women told him that she
heard a seaman threaten to shoot men
who tried to get into the boats. She
also told him, he said, that she heard
two shots fired, but he did not know
whether this was so.

Stengle said that 1,500 men leaped into
the sea when they saw there was no
chance for them on board of the boat.
"How they died, I do not know. I
caught a lifeboat by the gunwale after
I had jumped into the ocean. I was
dragged on board. There were not
enough sailors in the lifeboats to op-
erate them and the women were com-
pelled to pull oars themselves. Some of these
women, working at the oars, could be
heard shrieking the names of their hus-
bands."

ISMAY DEMANDS FOOD AS SOON AS TAKEN ON BOARD

Official, When Rescued,
Said "For God's Sake,
Get Me Food."

"For God's sake get me something to
eat. I'm starved. I don't care what it
costs or what it is. Bring it to me."

This was the first statement made by
J. Bruce Ismay, directing head of the
White Star line, one of the few men
rescued from the Titanic, a few minutes
after he was landed on the Carpathia.
It is vouched for by an officer
of the Carpathia, who requested that
his name be withheld. This officer
gave one of the most complete stories
of what happened aboard the Carpathia
from the time she received the Titanic's
appeal for assistance until she landed
the survivors at the Cunard line pier.

"Mr. Ismay, reached the Carpathia in
about the tenth life boat," said the of-
ficer. "I didn't know who he was, but
afterward I heard the others of the
crew discussing his desire to get some-
thing to eat the minute he put his foot
on deck. The steward who waited on
him, McGuire, from London, says Mr.
Ismay came dashing into the dining
room and throwing himself in a chair,
said: 'Hurry, for God's sake, and get
me something to eat. I'm starved. I
don't care what it costs or what it is;
bring it to me.'"

McGuire brought Mr. Ismay a load of
stuff, and when he had finished it he
handed McGuire a \$2 bill. "Your money
is no good on this ship," McGuire told
him. "Take it," insisted Mr. Ismay,
shoving the bill in McGuire's hand."

am well able to afford it. I will see to
it that the boys of the Carpathia are
well rewarded for this night's work.
This promise started McGuire making
inquiries as to the identity of the man
he had waited on. Then we learned
that he was Mr. Ismay. I did not see
Mr. Ismay after the first few hours.
He must have kept to his cabin."

Reminded Him Of Shaking Quaker

Above the roar of the train the in-
dignant citizen could be heard declam-
ing in no uncertain voice. In his hand
he held a morning newspaper which on
its front page told about another high-
way robbery—"a carnival of crime," the
indignant one called it.

"Why don't they do something?" he
almost shouted to his companion. "Here
is Commissioner Waldo saying that
things will be all right; another police
official condemning the fixed post plan;
former detectives telling what they
could do with a nightstick if only they
had a free hand. What we want is less
talk and more action if life and prop-
erty are to be safe in New York. It all
reminds me of the small boy who went
up to a man wearing a broad-brimmed
hat. 'Are you a Quaker, sir?' he asked.
'Yes, friend,' answered the Quaker.
'Are you a shaking Quaker?' persisted
the boy, watching him carefully. 'Yes,
verily, friend,' answered the Quaker.
'Well, then,' said the boy, 'do it!'"

All in Location.

A lawyer was cross-examining an old
German about the position of the floors,
windows, and so forth, in a house in
which a certain transaction occurred.

"And now, my good man," said the
lawyer, "will you be good enough to
tell the court how the stairs run in the
house?"

"Yes, how do the stairs run?"

"Well," continued the witness, after a
moment's thought, "even I am constri-
cted to run down, and even I am down-
stairs dey run oop."—National Monthly.

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